

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Pursuit of Strong Armed Car Jacking Suspect**

On July 08, 2015 at approximately 6:05 p.m., Officers were sent to the area of W. Scott Street and N. Hickory St. for a report of suspicious vehicle driving around the area. The license plate on the suspicious vehicle showed that the vehicle was stolen from the City of Milwaukee in a strong armed carjacking.

At approximately 7:33 p.m., City of Fond du Lac Officers spotted the stolen vehicle in the parking lot of the Kwik Trip store on N. Park Ave. As the officer pulled in behind the suspect vehicle, the suspect began ramming the officer's squad car and another civilian car in an attempt to get away. The suspect was able to get around the Officer's squad car and led officers on a pursuit through the north east area of the City. The suspect went east bound on STH 23 (Johnson St.) until it got to the area of CTH UU east of the City.

The suspect then made a U-turn coming back west bound on STH 23 into the City. Officers attempted to deploy stop sticks at two different locations. The suspect turned onto Country Lane into the Walgreens store parking lot where he again rammed a squad. The suspect then pulled back onto STH 23 and continued west bound at a high rate of speed, where the suspect struck a civilian vehicle and lost control striking a speed sign, light pole and some trees in the area of STH 23 Johnson St and National Ave.

The suspect then attempted to flee on foot but was apprehended by

K-9 Packo and his handler Officer Hardgrove. A 16-year old male from Milwaukee was taken into custody and taken to St. Agnes Hospital for treatment of a dog bite from the K-9. No one else was injured in this incident. The 16-year old faces charges in Fond du Lac including multiple counts of recklessly endangering safety, operating a motor vehicle without the owner's consent, eluding an officer and resisting arrest. In addition he potentially faces additional charges in Milwaukee.

The Wisconsin State Patrol was called into investigate the crashes caused by the suspect. In addition, Fond du Lac Police were assisted by the Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Department, Fond du Lac Fire & Rescue and Fond du Lac Public Works.

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